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FYSA, I've just given my HQ interlocutors a heads up.

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Dear HQ friends,

We in R9 wanted to give a heads up that the issue of legacy DDT ocean disposal off the L.A. coast, and EPA's possible role in addressing it, is heating up, with press, Congressional and state gov't interest. The latest uptick in interest is coming from today's UC San Diego Scripps Institution of Oceanography + NOAA presentation at a Congressional briefing led by Senator Dianne Feinstein – [here](#) is one resulting article. You may recall that we in R9 have fielded recent CBS News, Senator Feinstein, Mayor of Palos Verdes and other inquiries on this issue.

We have already been meeting with a range of federal and state agencies on this challenge; next step will likely be a meeting between our RA and the head of California EPA (Jared Blumenfeld, R9 RA under the Obama Administration). See attached for our forthcoming letter to Sec Blumenfeld, which incorporates our current priority messages regarding EPA's role.

Please let me know if you have questions,

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